

CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA

May 8, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. **MINUTES**

ST. MARYS INTRACOASTAL GATEWAY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER at 5:00 pm by Mr. Gant
- II. ROLL CALL: Mr. Robby Horton; Mrs. Mary Neff; Councilman Bob Nutter; Mr. Phil Jones; Mrs. Kay Westberry; Mrs. Teddie Lockhart; Mr. Gary Straight; and Mr. Jim Gant QUORUM: YES_XX_ NO___

Absent: Mr. John Morrissey; Mr. Craig Root; and Mr. Roger A. Weaver

Guests: Mrs. Nutter; Mr. Tom Canning; and Mr. Jared Keever

- III. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Review and approval of minutes of April 10, 2014 Motion by Mrs. Kay Westberry; Seconded by Mr. Gary Straight. Mr. Bob Nutter, Mrs. Mary Neff and Mr. Phil Jones abstained from the vote. Remaining were in favor of the vote.
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: No additions to the agenda.
- V. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS ONLY no comments at this time.
- VI. <u>OLD BUSINESS:</u>
 - A. Update on the Transportation Enhancement (TE) Grant: Mr. Gant reported that there has been no change on this grant.
 - B. Marketing Gateway for Public Use: a. Temporary Public Use Signage –Mr. Horton reported that Public Works is working with Mr. Roger Weaver in creating the signs to be installed at the gates of the property. b. Kiwanis 4th of July Use Mr. Gant will continue to work with Kiwanis on possible ways to utilize the gateway property for the July 4th event.
 - C. Foram Report: Mr. Gant reported that Loretta visited on April 30th with two experienced architects from HOK a large international architectural/engineering firm. The visitors were given a tour of St. Marys and the gateway property. The guests were also given a view of the property from the water. Mr. Phil Jones requested to go on record stating that he would appreciate being informed of future meetings prior to them happening because of his placement on the subcommittee that was formed to work directly with Foram.

Alyce Thornhill joined the meeting.

D. Private Vehicle and Golf Cart Access: Mr. Horton reported on the request received from an elderly handicapped resident who had concerns with the locking of the property to vehicles due to recent negative activity on the property. Mr. Horton decided to lock the vehicle access gate only at night and increase police patrols in the area. The walk though gate remains open. Signage will be posted to note the changes. Mr. Horton also mentioned that the walk through gate needs to be brought in compliance for handicap access which is being pursued. Question was asked if vehicles are still allowed to drive on



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the property and Mr. Horton responded that at this time, vehicles still continue to have access to the property during the day. The committee agreed to monitor how this procedure will work.

- E. Invite New Park Superintendent to Meeting: Mr. Gant noted that Mr. Gary Ingram has been in invited to this and future meetings.
- VII. NEW BUSINESS:
 - A. None at this time.
- VIII. REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEES: NONE
 - IX. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC –ANY ITEM RELATED TO THE SMIG MISSION:
 - X. <u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> was at 6:00 pm with a motion by Mr. Bob Nutter and seconded by Mrs. Mary Neff. All were in favor.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT A LATER DATE

Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.

William Jennings Bryan quoted at the Council presentation on June 14, 2010 regarding the 100 Ready Street Project